

REMARKS

The present application has pending claims 1-15.

Various amendments were made throughout the specification to correct minor errors grammatical and editorial in nature discovered upon review. Entry of these amendments is respectfully requested.

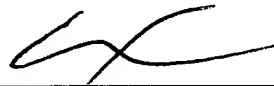
In the February 18, 2004 Office Action the Examiner indicated that restriction under 35 USC §121 is required. Particularly, the Examiner requests Applicants to elect one of the alleged invention, Invention A, claims 1-6 and 12-15 and Invention B, claims 7-11, for further prosecution on the merits.

In response to the restriction requirement Applicants hereby elect Invention B, claims 7-11 without traverse for further prosecution on the merits. Therefore, examination should proceed based on claims 7-11.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (500.40529X00).

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